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**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM**

CONTINUATION SHEET #1

Inventory No. WO-502

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination (continued):

The east facade is noted by a central, single-leaf wood door with six lights over two vertical panels. The door is flanked by two six-over-six, double-hung wood sash windows. A modern wood stoop/deck is located in front of the facade. A small shed addition is situated on the north side of the dwelling; it ties into a large rear shed addition with a canopied entrance at the southwest corner. The canopy is supported by two simple board braces, and the entrance is fitted with a modern wood door. The windows throughout the dwelling contain the same six-over-six sash as found on the facade, although there is one modern one-over-one window at the north side addition. A central brick chimney is located at the roof ridge.

The property contains one historic shed and a nonhistoric concrete pump house. The shed exhibits vertical board siding and a corrugated metal shed roof. A grassy drive provides access to and from Doe Drive, and the property features a number of mature trees.

Alterations to the resource include the modern front stoop/deck, the small north side addition, and the large rear shed addition, which has caused a change in the western slope of the main section roof.

The Harry W. and Lucille Henry House is a representative example of an early-twentieth-century vernacular form, the side-gabled cottage. Its presence signifies the historic introduction of early-twentieth-century architectural types into an agricultural area developed during the nineteenth century, and it illustrates the continued development of Worcester County and the local area into this century.

The dwelling was constructed in ca. 1930, based on tax and deed records as well as observation of the building's form and features. Tax records place the date of construction at 1930 (WCTA 1998). The deed records note that two generations of the Johnson family owned the property in the 1920s and early 1930s. In 1932, the property was sold to Littleton T. Birch (WCCC Deed Book BB 16:91). Birch died four years later, and the property was sold by an attorney the following year (WCCC Deed Book BB 31:252). Because the deed records do not note the presence of a structure on the property or discuss price or acreage changes, it is difficult to determine during whose ownership the dwelling may have been constructed. For this reason, the current owners' names have been used to denote the resource. Certainly, the form and the surviving details of the structure—its door and window sash, for example—are in keeping with what was being designed and built in ca. 1930.

Using the periods from the Maryland Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan Data, this would place the resource at the dividing line between the Industrial/Urban Dominance period (A.D. 1870–1930) and the Modern Period (A.D. 1930–Present). The current legal tax parcel containing the house and outbuildings encompasses 1.2231 acres.

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Major Bibliographical References:

Worcester County Clerk of Court (WCCC)

1887–1996 Property records on file at the Worcester County Courthouse, Snow Hill, Maryland.

Worcester County Tax Assessor (WCTA)

1998 Tax assessment records on file at the Worcester County Tax Assessor's Office, Snow Hill, Maryland.

**PRESERVATION VISION 2000; THE MARYLAND PLAN  
STATEWIDE HISTORIC CONTEXTS****I. Geographic Region:**

☒ Eastern Shore (all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)  
☐ Western Shore (Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's)  
☐ Piedmont (Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)  
☐ Western Maryland (Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

**II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:**

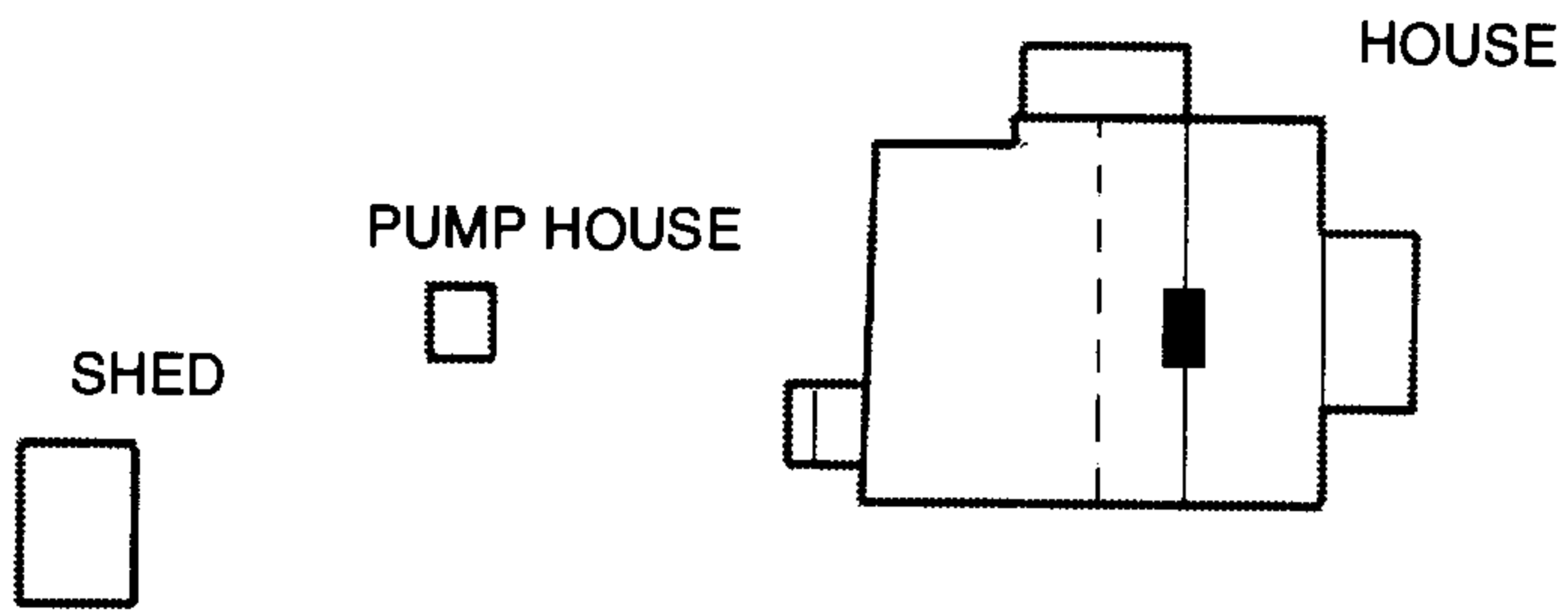
☐ Rural Agrarian Intensification A.D. 1680-1815  
☐ Agricultural-Industrial Transition A.D. 1815-1870  
☐ Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930  
☒ Modern Period A.D. 1930-Present  
☐ Unknown Period ( ☐ prehistoric ☐ historic)

**III. Historic Period Themes:**

☐ Agriculture  
☒ Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning  
☐ Economic (Commercial and Industrial)  
☐ Government/Law  
☐ Military  
☐ Religion  
☐ Social/Educational/Cultural  
☐ Transportation

**IV. Resource Type:**Category: BuildingHistoric Environment: RuralHistoric Function(s) and Use(s): Domestic/Single Dwelling.

Known Design Source: \_\_\_\_\_



DOE DRIVE

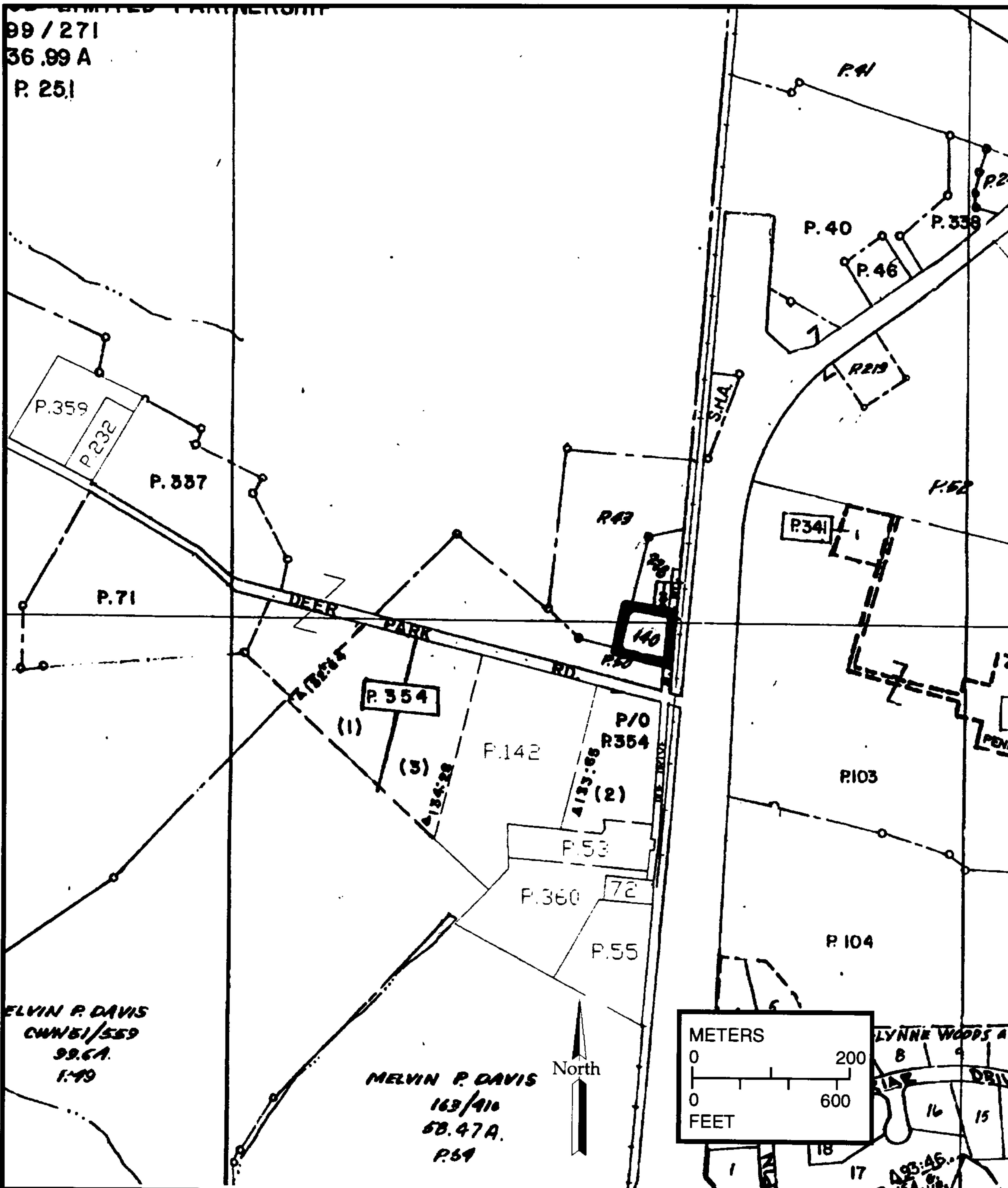
DEER PARK ROAD



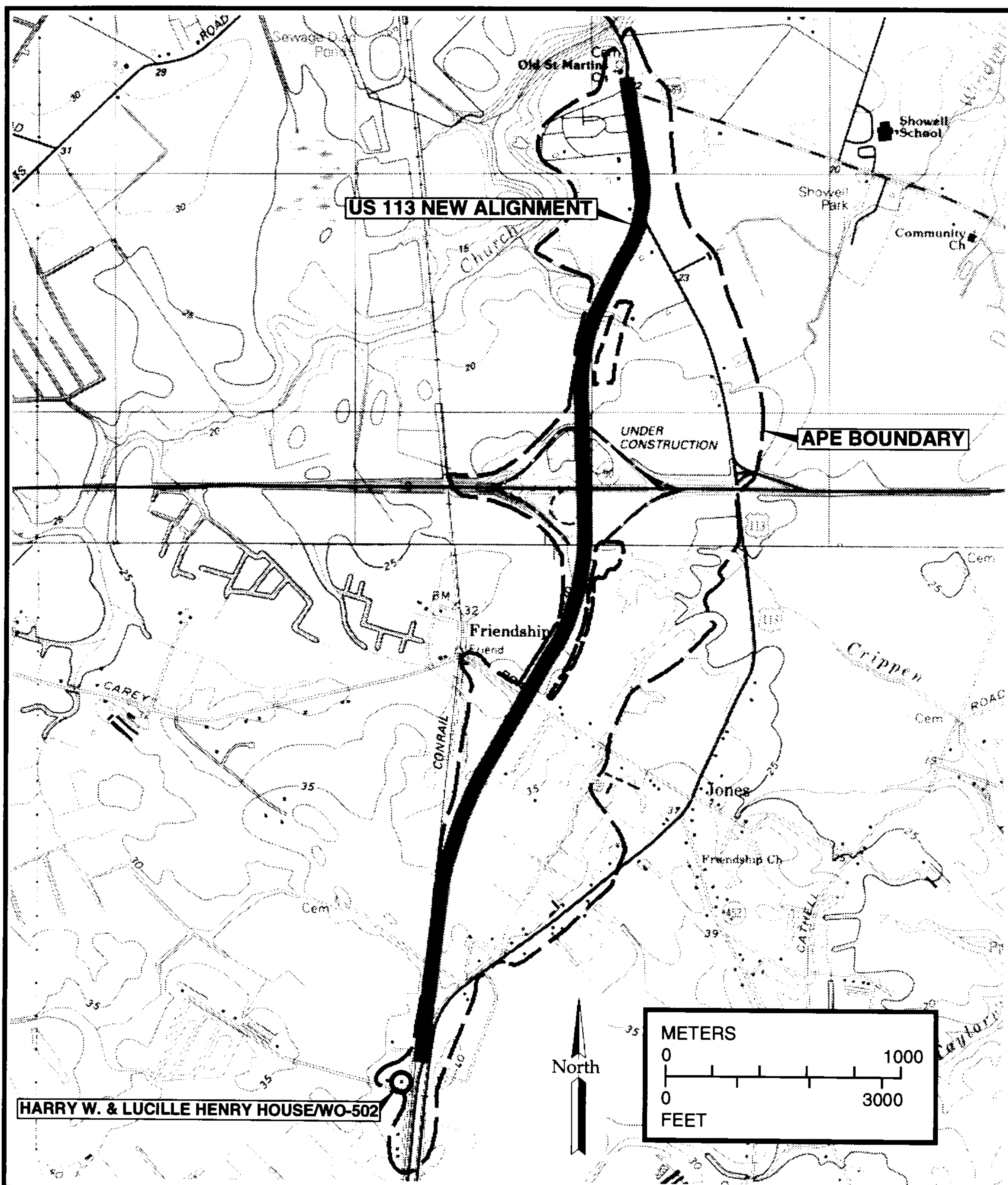
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**RESOURCE SKETCH MAP**  
Harry W. & Lucille Henry House/WO-502  
Berlin Vicinity  
Worcester County, MD

LYNNE WOODS A  
B 9  
RIAR DRILL  
16 15  
4:35:45  
SEA 8.



Section of Map No. 20, Parcel No. 140, Worcester County, Md.  
Containing the Harry W. & Lucille Henry House/WO-502  
Berlin (vic.), Worcester County, MD.



### LOCATIONAL MAP

Section of the 7.5' Selbyville, Del.-MD/Berlin, MD Quad Map (USGS 1992/1967-1981)

Showing the Harry W. & Lucille Henry House/WO-502

Worcester County, MD.



WC-502

Fanny W. & Lucille Henry House (common)  
Robert's County, MD

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Mark Chancellor - photographer  
Sept. 1998

Maryland SHPO - negative  
East + North Elevation

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NO-502

Harry W. & Lucille Henry Place (common)  
Worcester County, MD

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Mark Lavelle, photograph  
Sept. 1978

Maryland SHPO - negative  
West - South Elevation

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WO-502

Harry W. + Lucille Henry Home (Cinn.)  
Worcester County, MD

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Mark Chancell - photographer  
sept. 1998

Maryland SHPC - negative  
South + East Elevation

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